

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Jack Wells, on January 9, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Jack Wells, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Bob Hawks, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Eve Franklin (D)  
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)  
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)  
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Nancy Hall, Office of Budget and Program Planning  
Alan Peura, Legislative Branch  
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch  
Kathy Baird, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Final tape was produced from two merged recordings because break of the meeting was incorrectly identified as adjournment and the first recording stopped then another started.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Agency Goals/Objective Budget Hearing: Montana State Library  
Montana Arts Council

Executive Action: Adoption of Adjusted 2006 Base for Budget  
(as presented in LFD Budget Analysis).

00:02:16 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:18:34 Nancy Hall, Office of Budget and Program Planning  
(OBPP)

**MEETING WITH THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY**

00:20:12 Darlene Staffeldt, State Librarian, Montana State  
Library (MSL).

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a01)**

**Public Comments on Montana State Library:**

01:01:38 Don Allen, Chairperson, Montana State Library  
Commission.

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a02)**

01:11:42 John Meckler, K-12 Librarian, Plains Public School

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a03)**

01:15:08 Michelle Logan, Student, Carroll College

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a04)**

01:18:41 Jim Larson, Stillwater County GIS/Weeds/GIS  
coordinator.

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a05)**

01:26:57 Henning Stabins, Wildlife Biologist, Plum Creek Timber  
Company.

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a06)**

01:33:35 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon

01:35:27 Nanette Gilbertson, Montana Library Association

01:36:25 Lyn McKinney, Librarian, Billings Senior High,  
President Montana Library Association.

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a07)**

01:42:52 Melissa Hibbard, Student, Carroll College

**EXHIBIT(jeh05a08)**

**Questions from Committee Members:**

00:55:38\_\_Sen. Hawks

00:58:37 Sen. Lewis

01:31:34 Rep. Wells

01:45:26 Rep. Franklin

01:46:17 Break

02:02:17 Reconvene

**MEETING WITH THE MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL**

02:03:03 Arlynn Fishbaugh, Director, Montana Arts Council (MAC)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a09\)](#)

**Public Comment on Montana Arts Council:**

02:09:50 Neil Lewing, Director, Port Polson Players  
02:31:54 Carleen Layne, Accountant, Montana Arts Council  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a10\)](#)  
02:52:52 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association.  
03:01:08 Kristin Han Burgoyne, Database Design, Montana Arts  
Council.  
03:06:43 Jeff Brandt, Deputy CIO, Department of Administration.  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a11\)](#)  
03:10:03 Nancy Hall, OBPP

**Questions from Committee Members:**

02:58:52 Sen. Hawks  
03:00:17 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
03:08:31 Sen. Lewis  
03:12:25 Sen. Wanzenried  
03:14:18 Sen. Hawks  
03:17:25 Sen. Wanzenried  
  
03:17:38 Break  
03:19:00 Reconvene  
  
03:19:31 Chairman Wells

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SECTION D 2006 BASE**

03:22:55 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved **TO INSTRUCT** the Legislative  
Fiscal Division Staff, regarding the starting point of  
each agency budget for subcommittee consideration.  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a12\)](#)

**Discussion:**

03:25:01 Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
03:27:15 Alan Peura, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
03:29:54 Rep. Wells  
03:30:05 Sen. Hawks  
03:30:34 Sen. Glaser  
03:32:56 Rep. Franklin  
03:35:15 Sen. Wanzenried  
03:42:10 Rep. Wells  
03:53:02 Sen. Lewis

03:57:48 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Additional Exhibits:**

Written Testimony for Montana State Library

[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a13\)](#)

Written Testimony for Montana State Library

[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a14\)](#)

Written Testimony for Montana State Library

[EXHIBIT\(jeh05a15\)](#)

**ADJOURNMENT**

03:58:50 Adjournment

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REP. JACK WELLS, Chairman

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KATHY BAIRD, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([jeh05aad.pdf](#))**